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## Supervisors approve Upland fire museum funding

**SAN BERNARDINO** - The Board of Supervisors approved a revised agreement with the City of Upland on Tuesday to provide funding for the restoration of the city's oldest fire station.

The city plans to transform the fire station at 171 E. D St. into a museum. The fire station was built in 1915 two years after a massive fire swept through the fledgling city, destroying businesses on the east side of Second Avenue south of Ninth Street. The station also housed the city's first motorized fire engine.

"The fire museum will give residents an opportunity to see how fires were fought when the City of Upland was just taking root in San Bernardino County," said Second District Supervisor Paul Biane. "I'm glad the County is taking part in helping preserve this slice of Upland's history for future generations to enjoy."

Second Biane requested \$125,000 in one-time funding last year to help the city to create an emergency operations center (EOC) at the Walker-Eisen Building on East D Street, but city officials decided not to pursue the project and asked if the

funding could be redirected to the fire station restoration project. The city plans to continue using police headquarters as an (EOC).